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## Dear Interested Party

The Lassen National Forest is initiating scoping for the Lassen Motor Vehicle Use Map Update Project (MVUM Project; project). The MVUM Project has been proposed to enhance and diversify off highway motorized recreation opportunities, increase the mileage and connectivity of existing roads available to off-highway vehicles, provide for public safety and resource protection, and update the Lassen Motorized Vehicle Use Map.

The analysis for this project covers approximately 168 linear miles of road located throughout the Lassen National Forest. The approximate legal locations include: Township 26N, Range 5-6E; T27N R6,9E; T28N, R3-5E, T29N, R3-6,9E; T30N, R9E; T31N, R6-7E; T32N, R3,6-8,10E; T33N, R6-8E; T34N, R5-7E; T35N, R7E; T38N, R4E; T39N, R4E; and T40N, R4E, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

The Proposed Action and Purpose and Need are available on the Lassen National Forest web page at: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa\_project\_exp.php?project=55457">http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa\_project\_exp.php?project=55457</a>.

The Forest Service is seeking your input as it relates to the proposed action and identification of any issues about the anticipated effects from this proposed action. Please respond by April 5, 2019, so your comments may be fully considered as we move through the decision-making ("NEPA") process with this project.

Comments, written or oral, may be submitted to: Chris Christofferson, Forest Supervisor, Lassen National Forest, 2550 Riverside Drive, Susanville, CA 96130, (530) 257-2151, FAX: (530) 252-6428, during normal business hours. Lassen National Forest Office's business hours are from 8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Electronic comments, in acceptable plain text (.txt), rich text (.rtf), or Word (.doc) formats, may be submitted to: <a href="mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-lassen@fs.fed.us">comments-pacificsouthwest-lassen@fs.fed.us</a> using Subject: Lassen Motor Vehicle Use Map Update Project. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, are part of the public record for this proposed action.

The proposed project is subject to the pre-decisional review (or objection) regulations of 36 CFR §218 Subparts A and B. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments (defined by 36 CFR 218.1) during a designated public comment period established by the responsible official will have eligibility to file an objection (36 CFR §218.5). For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments must either sign the comment or verify identity upon request. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements in §218.25(a) (3).

A decision regarding this proposal is expected in late 2019. Thank you for your interest and participation in the environmental analysis process. For more information on the project, please contact Leslie Ross, Forest Engineer, by phone at (530) 257-2151.

Sincerely,

**CHRIS CHRISTOFFERSON** 

Forest Supervisor